

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 855

By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of David F. Jones as a commissioner of the Tennessee public utility commission.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101, creates the Tennessee public utility commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101(a), provides that two (2) commissioners of the Tennessee regulatory authority shall be appointed by joint agreement among the governor, the speaker of the senate, and the speaker of the house of representatives; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Haslam, Lieutenant Governor Randy McNally, and Speaker Beth Harwell have jointly appointed David F. Jones of Franklin to serve as a commissioner of the Tennessee public utility commission during a term that will expire on June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones was originally appointed to serve as a commissioner of the Tennessee public utility commission in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones serves as president of The David Jones Group, a management consulting and executive coaching services company, and Complete Holdings Group, which advises healthcare providers and payers on workers' compensation revenue issues; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones spent twenty-nine years in the natural gas pipeline industry and brings a unique perspective to businesses today; and

WHEREAS, the first half of his career was spent with a Fortune 250 energy company for which he worked in a variety of areas, including human resources and field operations; and

WHEREAS, following a merger, he was promoted to Vice President of Eastern Operations, in which position he had general management responsibilities for operating and

maintaining three large interstate pipeline systems and one of the nation's four liquefied natural gas (LNG) receiving terminals; and

WHEREAS, he was active in key leadership roles within the energy industry and has served on the Southern Gas Association's Corporate Telelink Network Board of Directors, as Chairman of the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America Security Committee, as Vice Chairperson of the Oil and Natural Gas Security Coordinating Council, and as a member of the National Infrastructure Advisory Committee Pandemic Working Group; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones's extensive experience in both the public and private sectors will be valuable to the Tennessee public utility commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101, provides that each appointment to the Tennessee public utility commission shall be confirmed by joint resolution adopted by each house of the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of David F. Jones of Franklin to serve a six-year term as a commissioner of the Tennessee public utility commission, such term to expire on June 30, 2024.